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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kuroda et al.
Serial No.: 10/632,293
Conf. No.: 5077
Filed: 8/1/2003
For: PREFORMAT METHOD FOR
MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM,
MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM,
AND MAGNETIC RECORDING AND
REPRODUCING APPARATUS
Art Unit: 2651
Examiner: Mercedes, Dismery E.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

(X) Response E.

(X) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) with a check in the amount of \$120.00.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,
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